

## TORNADOES TOUCH DOWN IN BELL COUNTY

All the News  
about former  
Members that's  
Fit to Print.

# The Capitol Post

## House and Senate Chamber Update

*Semper Fidelis*

### TEXAS EDITION

Good Friday and  
Passover

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qkoZQRb13s>

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Friday, April 15, 2022 Austin, Texas

## Leticia struck by vehicle in Florida

### Sen. Van de Putte injured while crossing street

Former State Senator Leticia Van de Putte was struck by a vehicle while crossing a street on Sunday, April 3 in Orlando, Florida. She and her family had just returned from a cruise. Their flight was cancelled so they were staying overnight in Orlando. See the news story below.

On Saturday April 9 she was medically transported back to San Antonio and is hospitalized there. See below from Stan Schleuter.

I heard from Leticia's sister just a few moments ago. Leticia wants you to know she was medically transported by air late today to University Hospital in San Antonio. She is currently stable and in Surgical & Trauma ICU. Her sister said they would let me know when she is transferred to a regular hospital room. The plan for her is to improve and then on to a rehab center. Leticia says, "Thank you and keep her in your prayers. It will be a long recovery."

<https://www.expressnews.com/news/local/article/Van-de-Putte-moved-to-San-Antonio-hospital-17068204.php>

### MEMBERS RECOVERING

**Bennie Bock** – Bennie is doing well after being hospitalized for high blood pressure.

**Judge Orlando Garcia**- recovering from quadruple bypass surgery. He is doing better and eager to get back to his federal judicial duties.

**Judge Nowlin**- He recently said he was doing fine.

**Mark Stiles** –“Everything is going good. I’m feeling fine and getting around good.”

**Barry Telford**- recently told us he was fine but slow progress.

### **Leticia Van de Putte**

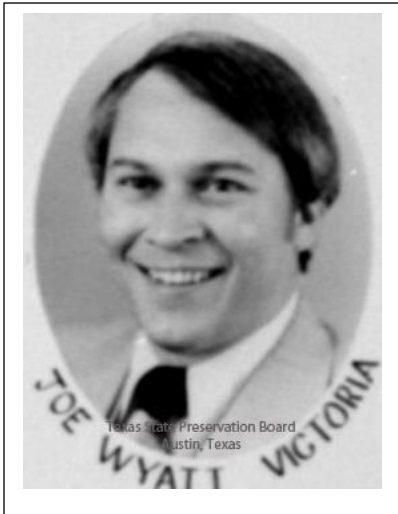
<https://www.expressnews.com/news/local/article/Leticia-Van-de-Putte-injured-car-Florida-17081409.php>

# IN MEMORIAM

## Requiescat in pace

"The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He has me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside the still waters. He revives my soul; He guides me on paths of righteousness for His glory. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no harm, For you are with me ... Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, And I shall abide in the house of the Lord forever.

- Psalm 23



Rep. Joe Wyatt  
1971-1979



## Arrangements for former Rep. Joe Wyatt

Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2022 from 5 to 7 PM at Colonial Funeral Home.

Rosary will be at 9:30 AM on Friday, April 22, 2022 at Our Lady of Victory Cathedral followed by a funeral mass at 10:00 AM. Interment will be at the Texas State Cemetery in Austin, Texas on Friday, May 6, 2022 at 10:00 AM with a reception to follow on the grounds.

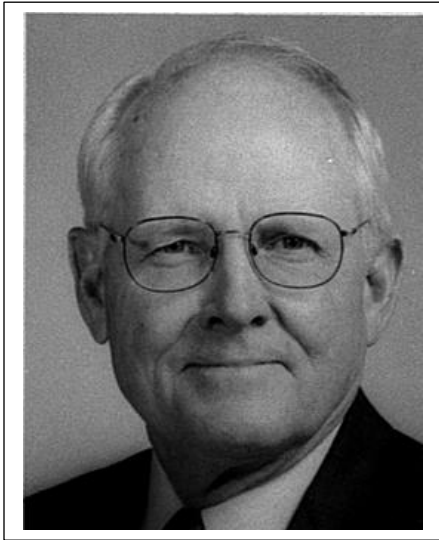
The full obituary for Joe Wyatt [can be found here](#).

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The burial service for former Member of the Texas House of Representatives and United States House of Representatives Joseph Wyatt, Jr. will be at 10am on May 6, 2022 at the Texas State Cemetery and is open to the public. The family will host a reception at the cemetery to follow.  
Thanks,

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please join me in welcoming our former colleagues, Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff, and Rep. Doug Miller to the Capitol Group. Thank you, gentlemen, for joining us. We are honored!



Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff

1989 – 2004

State Senator – 1989 -2000

Lt. Gov. -December 28, 2000 - January 21, 2003



Rep. Doug Miller

2009-2017

# Face to face with Evil

-by **Bennie W. Bock II**

The headaches started small, but grew to the point I was growing blind in one eye. It was October 22, 1993 and we were home from visiting our daughter in her Virginia College. Each day for a week, between 10 to 12 am the pain assaulted me, then left, not like the migraines I had beginning in the 4th grade, but more severe. I did not know what to expect. Both my wife and mother were in the kitchen when the doctor's telephone rang. After a MRI, with preliminary treatment due to my Iodine allergy to renovist contrast solution his diagnosis was proved correct. The Doctor said we will need to operate cutting your skull open to remove the aneurism located behind your right eye. I was scheduled in two days. The Doctor explained the severity. Oh no!, I joked later, They would find out if I had a brain! My opponents were excited!

So they wheeled me in to the operating room at 7:30 one Wednesday morning, heavily sedated for a confirming MRI, and probable surgery that might take years to overcome, if at all. Suddenly, I was awakened by the surgeon yelling, "Bennie, Bennie. Wake up ITS GONE!"

The aneurism so prevalent on the magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) had completely disappeared! They wheeled me back to my room for a long 24 hour stay. During the next night---I didn't sleep much---I gave many thanks to God for saving me.

The next morning about 5 am, the room turned cold as a man in a white uniform dressed like a nurse entered, saying I'm here to take your vitals." He looked at my chart and said "looks like someone made a mistake."---After all we had the records! To which I replied: "No, I am a beneficiary of one of God's miracles." He scoffed at that and left the room, not taking any vitals.

About 7 am a woman arrived in the room dressed in white and said "I'm here to take your vitals" to which I said: "The male nurse was here at 5 to do that, but didn't." And she said: "We have no male nurse on this floor."

I have thought about this event many times over the last 29 years. I believe that I came face to face with Evil. But because I denied him, I was saved. Similar events over the years confirm.

# Watch "God Bless America Sung by Kate Smith

This is the Army 1943

<https://youtu.be/TmfeNq5x5aQ>

This song by Kate Smith did a lot to unify the country and give hope during the war.



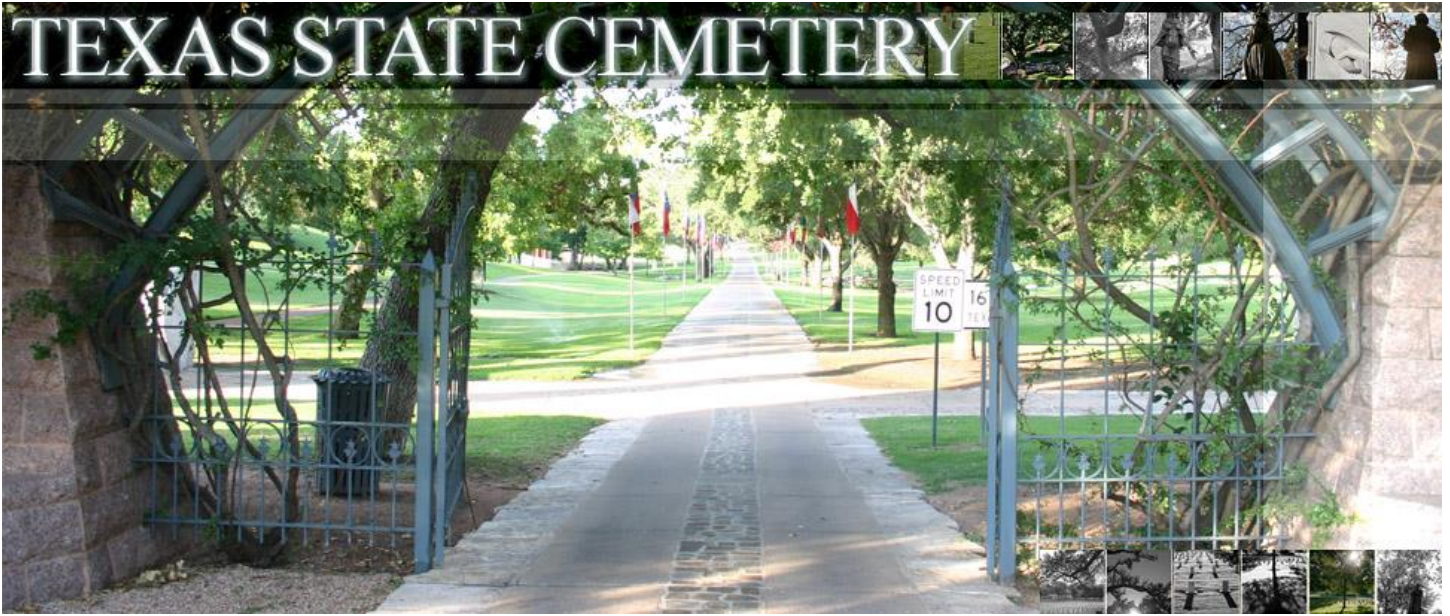
# SPEAKER'S REUNION DAY AT THE CAPITOL



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hVRrpA1a768>



# TEXAS STATE CEMETERY



## [Dolly Parton - In the Sweet By and By \(Audio\) - YouTube](#)

There's a land that is fairer than day  
And by faith we can see it afar  
For the Father waits over the way  
To prepare us a dwelling place there

We shall sing on that beautiful shore  
The melodious songs of the blessed  
And our spirit shall sorrow no more  
Not a sign for the blessing of rest

In the sweet by and by  
We shall meet on that beautiful shore  
In the sweet by and by  
We shall meet on that beautiful shore

In the sweet by and by  
In the sweet by and by, oh

Source: [LyricFind](#)

Songwriters: Ben Webster

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